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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Naoya Hasegawa et al.

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Filing Date: July 14, 2003

For: MAGNETIC SENSOR WITH SECOND
ANTIFERROMAGNETIC LAYER
HAVING SMALLER DEPTH IN HEIGHT
DIRECTION THAN FREE LAYER

Examiner: Heinz, Allen J.

Group Art Unit No.: 2653

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, § 1.97 and § 1.98, it is respectfully requested that this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

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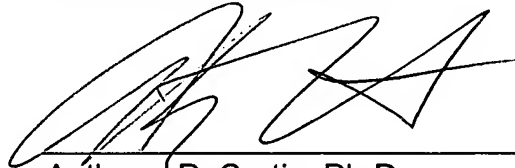
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As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3). Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicant has calculated a processing fee in the amount of \$180.00 to be due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) in connection with the filing of this Statement. Applicant has enclosed a check covering this fee, or authorized charging the fee to a deposit account or credit card, as indicated in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
	B1	US 6,716,537 B1	04/06/2004	Kakihara		
	B2	US 6,913,836 B1	07/05/2005	Hasegawa		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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